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PATENT APPLICATION  
Serial No. 10/777,514

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kerry Zang et al.  
Serial No.: 10/777,514  
Filing Date: February 11, 2004  
Confirmation No.: 5263  
Group Art Unit: 3738  
Examiner: Miller, Cheryl L.  
Title: **CONICAL, THREADED SUBTALAR IMPLANT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 21, 2008 (the "*Office Action*"), Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and comments. Please amend the Application as follows.